UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT for the DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS

NICHOLAS J. McGRATH,

Plaintiff,

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CONSOLIDATED RAIL CORPORATION and CSX TRANSPORTATION, INC., Defendants.

CIVIL ACTION NO.: 05-30048-MAP

CERTIFICATION PURSUANT TO LOCAL RULE 16.1(D)(3)

This is to certify that the defendants, Consolidated Rail Corporation ("Conrail") and CSX Transportation, Inc. ("CSX"), and their counsel, FLYNN & ASSOCIATES, P.C., have conferred to establish a budget for the full litigation of the above-captioned matter, as well as a budget for various alternatives.

Conrail, CSX and FLYNN & ASSOCIATES, P.C. have further discussed the resolution of the litigation through the use of Alternative Dispute Resolution programs and need to develop further information before deciding whether the case is appropriate for settlement, ADR, or full litigation.

On behalf of defendants, Consolidated Rail Corporation and CSX Transportation, Inc.

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Respectfully submitted,

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